lakhs is reported, besides Rs. 4 crore worth of oil stock which is pending verification. Assets of over Rs. 11 crores has been seized.

(c) to (e) A number of factors combine to have an effect on the availability and prices of essential commodities. Surveys, searches and inspections are one amongst them. Other factors to improve the availability of essential commodities and to check their price rise are increase in their production, effective procurement and buffer stocking operations of foodgrians, strengthening of PDS and augmenting domestic supplies through imports (e.g. edible oils) subject to overall constriants of availability of foreign exchange.

Crisis in the Sugar Industry

3649. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the worst crisis in the sugar industry in the country because of its deteriorating "financial health' resulting in a loss of over Rs. 300 crores;

(b) if so, whether Government have made any exercise to know the causes of the crisis in the sugar industry; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof stating the remedial measures proposed to be taken by Government to rescue the sugar industry in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL) : (a) There does not appear to be any evidence of a financial crisis in the sugar industry.

(b) and (c) Does not arise. However, State Governments have been advised to increase the number of wholesale licensees both with a view to improving sugar availability to all regions as well as inducting greater competitiveness in the wholesale trade.

Shifting of Governments offices from Delhi

3650. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether with the steady proliferation of Government offices, variety of institutions, Headquarters of various organisations, Governmental and otherwise making Delhi unmanageable both from civic and law and order angle, Government have, of late, made any evaluation of the situation and to take a policy decision with regard to the shifting of the offices/institutions etc. to other NCR satellite towns and other cities and also opening of new offices in the City; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) and (b) The need to avoid further congestion in Delhi has been recognised and for this purpose the Government have decided that no new office of the Central Government or Public Sector Undertakings and Statuory or Corporate Bodies owned or controlled by Central Government be set up in Delhi or brought from outside places to Delhi without obtaining express prior approval of Cabinet Committee on Accommodation. Besides, with a view to secure decongestion as far as possible, it has been decided to shift the Head Quarter offices of 27 Public Sector Undertakings and also some Central Govt. Offices outside Delhi as per details given in Statement I & II.

Statement—I

List of Public Sector Undertakings decided to be shifted out of Delhi.

1. National Seeds Corporation Ltd.
2. State Farms Corpns. of India Ltd.
3. Central Warehousing Corporation.
4. Food Corporation of India.
5. Hospital Services Consultancy Corporation of India Ltd.
6. Vayudoot.
7. Helicopter Corp. of India.
8. Airlines Allied Services Ltd.
9. National Airport Authority of India.
10. National Small Industries Corp. Ltd.
11. National Fertiliser Ltd.
12. Fertiliser Corp. of India.
13. Hindustan Fertiliser Corp. Ltd.

14. Pyrites, Phospates & Chemicals Ltd.
15. Paradeep Phosphates Ltd.
16. Indo-Burma Petroleum Co. Ltd. (Chemicals Division).
17. National Hydro-Electric Power Corp.
18. National Textiles Corp. (Delhi, Punjab and Rajasthan) Ltd.
19. Minerals & Metals Trading Corpn. of India Ltd.
20. State Trading Corp. of India Ltd.
21. National Thermal Power Corp. Ltd.
22. Rural Electrification Corp. Ltd.
23. National Project Const. Corp. Ltd
24. Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd.
25. Cement Corp. of India.
26. Bharat Aluminium Company Ltd.
27. National Textile Corp. Ltd.

Statement—II

List of Offices to be shifted outside Delhi

1. Coast Guard (Hd. Qrs.)
2. Research & Development Centre, Postal Deptt.
3. Dte. of Inspection, Northern Inspection Circle, Dept of Supply.
4. Publication Division, Films Division, Song and Drama Divsion and the Dte. of Field Publicity under the Ministry of I&B.
5. National Crime Records Bureau under Ministry of Home Affiars.
6. Deptt. of Light Houses and Light Ships.
7. Central Institute of Research and Training in Employment Service, Ministry of Labour.
8. Commissioner of Payments of Deptt. of Industrial Development.
9. Department of Publication.
10. C.P.W.D. Training Institute.
11. National Academy of Customs, Excise and Narcotics.

Financial and Technical Assistance for Agricultural Projects

3651. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether European countries such as the USSR, Denmark, Bulgaria, Italy, Sweden, Switzerland, Netherland, Norway, the UK and West Germany have extended any financial or technical assistance in agricultural projects in India during 1989-90 and 1990-91; and

(b) if so, the names of the projects, and the amount/type of assistance being extended to those ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Directorate of Horticulture, CPWD

3652. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that duties and functions of the Director and Sectional Officer (Horticulture) are identical to that of Superintendent Engineer (Civil) to Junior Engineer (Civil/Electrical);

(b) whether it is also a fact that no facilities are being provided to Directorate; and

(c) If so, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) Nature of work and expertise of the uniform pattern is followed for Horticultural discipline and Civil/Electrical discipline are distinct. For the purpose of organisational set-up a uniform pattern is followed for Horticultural, civil and electrical disciplines such as Circle, Division and Sub-Division. In this context even though general duties and responsibilities of the Director of Horticulture and junior level officers are somewhat similar to those of Superintending Engineers and junior level